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APPLICATION FOR REISSUE OF:

(check applicable box) ☒ Utility Patent

☐ Design Patent

☐ Plant Patent

APPLICATION ELEMENTS

1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form (PTO/SB/56)
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2. ☒ Specification and Claims
(amended, if appropriate)
3. ☒ Drawing(s)
(proposed amendments, if appropriate)
4. ☒ Reissue Oath / Declaration (original or copy)
(37 CFR 1.175)(PTO/SB/51 or 52)
5. Original U.S. Patent
☒ Offer to Surrender Original Patent (37 CFR 1.178)
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☐ Affidavit/Declaration of Loss (PTO/SB/55)
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☒ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement
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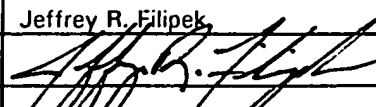
ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

7. ☒ Foreign Priority Claim (35 USC 119)
(if applicable)
8. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement
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☒ Copies of IDS Citations
9. English Translation of Reissue
Oath/Declaration (if applicable)
10. ☐ Small Entity Statement
☐ Statement filed in prior application
Status Still proper and desired
11. ☒ Preliminary Amendment
12. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)
(Should be specifically itemized)
13. ☒ Other:
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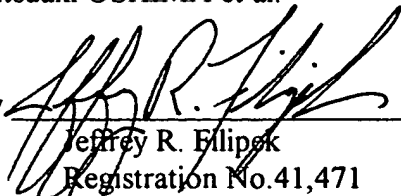
Patentees in the above-entitled application, by their agent, hereby claim the priority date under the International Convention of Japanese Application No. 3-62798 filed March 27, 1991, Japanese Application No. 3-95813 filed April 25, 1991, Japanese Application No. 3-155650 filed May 29, 1991, Japanese Application No. 3-182236 filed July 23, 1991, Japanese Application No. 4-60739 filed March 17, 1992, Japanese Application No. 5-132984 filed May 10, 1993, Japanese Application No. 5-261612 filed September 24, 1993, Japanese Application No. 5-349972 filed December 27, 1993, and Japanese Application No. 6-79668 filed March 24, 1994, acknowledged in the Declaration

of the subject application. A certified copy of the afore-mentioned priority document is of record in the patent file.

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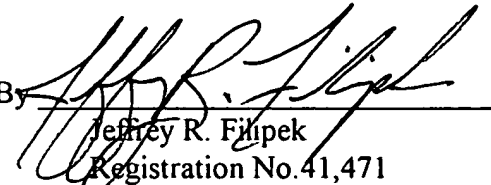
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Sir:

Patentees, by their undersigned agent, hereby offer to surrender original letters patent 5,600,672, granted on February 4, 1997 of which Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd. is sole owner by assignment, and on whose behalf and with whose assent the accompanying application is made.

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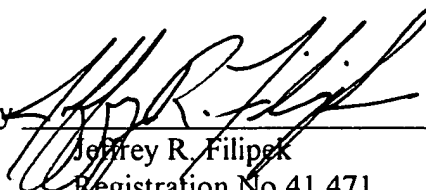
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It hereby is requested that the formal drawings from the original file of the above patent be transferred to the present reissue application.

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The above-identified application has been submitted without an executed oath or declaration pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.41(c).

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A duly executed oath or declaration pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.63 will be submitted after notification by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.53(d).

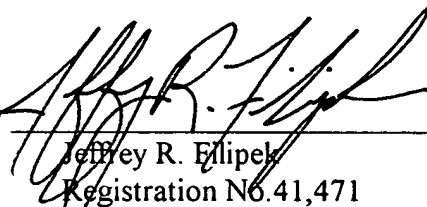
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